

REMARKS

Pursuant to MPEP Section 713.04, the Applicant submits the following remarks to summarize the June 2, 2006 interview between Applicant's representatives, Fred Grasso and Dan Shanley, and Examiner Han.

During the interview, the May 17, 2006 final Office Action and the alleged anticipation of claims 13, 16-18, and 24-27 by U.S. Patent No. 5,833,652 to Preissman et al was discussed.

Applicant pointed out that the most recent Office action does not address the claim language, "selectively permeable membrane." Since the Applicant called this omission to the Office's attention within one month of the date of the final Office Action, Examiner Han agreed to issue a new action and to reset the reply period pursuant to MPEP Section 710.06.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments which may be incurred in connection with this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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